WINNESHIEK COUNTY HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

Steven Johnson, Chairperson David Stanley, Secretary Elizabeth Lorentzen, Treasurer LaVonne Sharp Roger Bergan Ferneva Brimacomb Dennis Karlsbroten Kim Glock Terri Mozzone

Minutes of the Winneshiek County Historic Preservation Commission meeting at the Old Winneshiek County Jail May, 13, 2017 at 8:30 AM.

Present: Dave Stanley, Kim Glock, LaVonne Sharp, Roger Bergan, Steve Johnson, Elizabeth Lorentzen, Dennis Karlsbroten, Ferneva Brimacomb and John Beard.

Steve opened the meeting with a review of the minutes from the April meeting. Roger moved to approve the minutes and Ferneva seconded the motion which was approved unanimously, except for Dave who abstained because he was not present.

Elizabeth presented the treasurer's report. Dennis moved to approve the report and LaVonne seconded the motion. It was approved unanimously.

Steve noted the Upper Iowa conference and workshop mentioning that it would count as training for the Commission members. Ferneva and Steve both outlined the nature of the conference.

Dennis discussed the replacement of the basement windows at the Highlandville School and other improvements. Steve brought up transferring the remaining funds from the County Historical Society to the Commission but pointed out it would be nice to move that money to the trustees or encourage the creation of an organization that would work in concert with the trustees and manage the funds. Other needs such as heating and exterior painting were also discussed.

John briefed the Commission on the courthouse house restoration, specifically the roof and associated water damage. The Supervisors consulted with TAN specialist who examined the situation and reviewed options with the Supervisors. John also updated the Commission on the Daley Bridge. The top priority was to get the remains out of the river.

Steve mentioned the Bluffton House and brief discussion ensued on how the Commission could assist in advertising. Dave offered to put together a flyer that could be posted in public areas. LaVonne volunteered to help post the flyers.

Dave brought up the topic of office space in the Old Jail. Roger and LaVonne said that the Historical Society would make space available this fall which would

give them time to setup other spaces for the collections.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:45.

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